

REMARKS

This paper is filed in response to the official action dated May 5, 2008 (hereafter, the "official action"). This paper is timely filed as it is accompanied by a petition for extension of time and authorization to charge our credit card account in the amount of the requisite fee. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith, to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under Order No. IFT-6019 (31203/30032A).

Claims 1, 2, 5-7, 9-14, and 16-28 are pending in this application. Claims 5-7, 18-21, and 26-28 are rejected. Claims 1, 2, 9-14, 16, 17, and 22-25 have been allowed.

By the foregoing, claims 5-7, 18-21, and 26-28 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 2 and 16 have been amended to correct typographical errors.

Favorable consideration and entry of the foregoing amendments are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Should the examiner wish to discuss any matter of form or procedure in an effort to advance this application to allowance, he is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number.

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Respectfully submitted,

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